

**STORAGE DEVICE WITH I/O COUNTER FOR PARTIAL DATA
REALLOCATION**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of reallocating data among physical disks corresponding to a logical
5 disk is provided. A logical disk is partitioned into a plurality of groups, each group
comprising at least one segment on at least one of a first plurality of physical disks
corresponding to the logical disk. One group of the plurality of groups is partitioned into a
plurality of sub-groups, and, for each sub-group of the plurality of sub-groups but one, the
sub-group is copied to at least one segment on at least one of a second plurality of physical
10 disks corresponding to the logical disk.

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